

TOWN OF ANDOVER
Department of Community Services

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2005 Elementary Ski Program at Bradford Ski Area

The Department of Community Services (DCS), in conjunction with the Bradford Ski Area, is offering a ski program for **third through fifth graders** with abilities from beginner through advanced.

- High Plain, Sanborn and West El begin Tuesday, January 4th .
- Bancroft and South begin Thursday, January 6th .
- This **six week** program runs until all six sessions for each group are completed.

REGISTRATION BEGINS OCTOBER 18th

Registration forms and payment will be accepted at the DCS office **Monday, October 18th thru Friday, November 12th** - we accept MasterCard, VISA, Cash and Checks. Do not return forms to the school because this will not reserve a place and may cause your child to miss out on the program. This is a very popular program - **parents are urged to apply early.**

An updated **Emergency Information Sheet** (EIS) must be on file at the DCS office for your child to participate in this program. Forms are available at DCS and on the Internet at www.andoverma.gov/dcs

If you are interested in renting equipment, separate **Rental Forms** are available at DCS. Please stop by to pick up a copy. These forms **MUST** be signed and submitted with the registration forms.

The **first 40 students** registering from each school will be enrolled. If all slots for a school fill before November 12th, a waiting list will be taken. If spaces remain available after November 12th, DCS will continue to accept applications for open skiing **without rentals only.**

REFUNDS/CHANGES:

October 18-November 12	Changes: \$35 processing fee
	Withdrawals: \$20 processing fee; remainder refunded

- **No changes or refunds after November 12th, there are no exceptions.**
*Parents are urged to plan ahead to avoid the loss of fees at a later date. If your child doesn' t have equipment now, but will after the holidays, sign him/her up for the package **without rentals.***
- No refunds will be issued if a child misses the bus, is absent from school, or chooses not to attend.
- If weather conditions prevent completion of all six weeks, students will receive a prorated refund.

SCHEDULE:

Leave School	Promptly at 3:00 pm (<i>remember to send a note to your child' s teacher on ski days</i>)
Ski Lesson	Times will vary depending upon ski level
Practice Skiing	Before or after lessons
Return to school	Approximately 6:15 pm

LOGISTICS: Label skis, poles and boots clearly; tie skis and poles together and put boots in a tote bag. Parents, please bring the equipment to school on your child's scheduled day, and leave it in the designated area.

Students may have to take all their belongings into the ski lodge and back onto the bus after completing their skiing. Some buses may leave the area while students are skiing. Children should be prepared!

Slope Snack Bar will be open before and after lessons.

The Bradford Ski Area has the ability to **make its own snow**; however, if conditions are questionable, parents are advised to call the DCS Info Line at 978-623-8279 after 12 noon for a decision. Decisions regarding cancellation due to inclement weather or lack of snow will be made by Bradford Hill and DCS; sessions will be made up at the end. Schools will be notified when skiing is canceled. The program will not be held on holidays, early release days or when school is canceled.

VERY IMPORTANT: Children who are enrolled in the Bradford Ski Program may not leave early or stay at Bradford Hill beyond the scheduled time of departure unless a signed permission letter explaining your wish is delivered to the monitor before leaving the school for the ski area. Children may not take a different bus home at anytime. For your child's safety, please adhere to these guidelines. If a parent picks up a child without telling a monitor, they will forfeit the next week of skiing without a refund.

Children enrolled in this program must be comfortable in large group situations. Please be aware of the physical demands, due to the nature of the activity, when registering for this program. **We ask parents not to meet the buses at Bradford upon arrival.** This disrupts the routine of the program and creates undue pressure felt by the children.

Schools will be locked when children arrive back from skiing, therefore they **will not** be able to enter to use the phone. It is the parent's responsibility to pick up their child promptly.

BUS SCHEDULE:

High Plain	Tuesday, cafeteria, pick-up at 3:00 pm
Sanborn	Tuesday, second driveway, pick-up at 3:00 pm
West El	Tuesday, Beacon Street side of school, old gym entrance, pick-up 3:00 pm
Bancroft	Thursday, front of school, pick-up at 3:00 pm
South	Thursday, front of school, pick-up at 3:00 pm

DESCRIPTION SKI LEVEL:

Beginner	No experience, unable to turn or control skis.
Novice	Skiers are able to turn or control skis in a wedge position and prefers easy, moderate terrain.
Intermediate	Skiers can control and turn skis in a wide track position and perform skidded parallel turns.
Advanced	Skiers able to consistently perform skidded parallel turns

LESSONS: All **beginners** are required to take lessons. If your child is a novice, intermediate, or advanced, you may choose not to enroll your child in lessons. To help prevent injury, please be aware **of your child's skill level.**

If the ski instructor feels your child's ability is higher or lower than his/her class, the instructor will change your child's lesson accordingly. All instructors are experienced and certified. Once enrolled in a level, children will remain in it until the instructor determines otherwise.

2005 Bradford Ski Elementary Registration Form

Name: _____ Please circle one: _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Parents' Daytime Telephone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Telephone: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Circle Level (see attached letter for definition): _____ Beginner* _____ Novice _____ Intermediate _____ Advanced _____

* All Beginners are required to take lessons.

An **EMERGENCY INFORMATION SHEET** must be on file at the DCS office to register for this program. Is there one on file?
Yes ___ Attached ___ A copy of this form is available at the DCS office or on the internet at www.andoverma.gov/dcs

MONITORS:

Two adult monitors (age 17+) must supervise each bus. Monitors will be accepted on a first come basis, as needed, at the discretion of the Department and must attend a monitor's meeting prior to program. Monitors may ski for free and rent equipment at no charge. If you or any other adult in your family would like to serve as a monitor please print your name(s) and daytime phone below:

YES, I would like to be a monitor: _____ Telephone: _____
(Name)

PROGRAM COSTS:

Please check package choice (each package includes a \$90 bus fee):

_____ I	Ski Lessons with Rentals **	\$315
_____ II	Ski Lessons without Rentals	\$235
_____ III	Open Skiing with Rentals **	\$280
_____ IV	Open Skiing without Rentals	\$200
_____	Helmet***	\$ 30

** Students renting equipment must complete a Rental Agreement Form (available at DCS office). No equipment will be rented without a form. Rental form information includes height, weight, and shoe size. Please have sizes available at time of registration.

*** **Ski helmets are mandatory for all elementary school students.** You may not substitute helmets from other sports. Skiers will keep their rental helmets for the season and return it to Bradford at the conclusion of the season.

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PAYMENT OPTIONS:

VISA, MasterCard, Cash and Checks accepted. Please make checks payable to the **TOWN OF ANDOVER**.

Circle Payment Method: Visa MasterCard Cash Check

Card Number

Expiration Date

Card Holder's Name/Signature